(b) As per latest information received from Central Electricity Authority, the estimated loss of Hydel Power Production as a result of heavy floods and high silt content in river waters the generation loss from hydro electric stations in Himachal Pradesh has been estimated to be about 943.53 MU as per details given below:

Sl. No.	Station	Estimated Loss (MU)
1.	Nathpa Jhakri (1500 MW) (from 25.6.2005 to 25.7.2005)	868.00
2.	Bhaba (120 MW) (from 4.7.2005 to 13.7.2005)	1.50
3.	Baspa (300 MW) (from 26.6.2005 and 5.7.2005) to 10.7.2005	41.90
4.	Giri (60 MW) (from 5.7.2005 to 13.7.2005)	0.60
5.	Bassi (60 MW) (from 6.7.2005 to 13.7.2005)	5.41
6.	Chamera-II (300 MW) (25.6.2005 and 6.7.2005 to 9.7.2005)	24.78
7.	Baira Siul (198 MW) 14.7.2005	1.34
	TOTAL	943.53

Penalty for not unloading coal at Devi Lal Thermal Power Station at Panipat

1059. SHRI MURLI DEORA: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Tau Devi Lal Thermal Power Station at Panipat has been paying penalty of Rs. 1 crore per month to the Railway for delay in unloading coal and if so, since when and the total amount of penalty paid as a result thereof;

(b) whether a Railway rack consisting of 58 wagons is required to be unloaded within five hours and the Railways has been charging Rs. 100 per hours as penalty for any delay in unloading a wagon; and

(c) whether Railways has been considering the request of the thermal authorities to increase the time of unloading and if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF POWER (SHRI P. M. SAYEED): (a) Haryana Power Generation Corporation Limited (HPGCL) has not paid any demurrage charge so far for the period of March'05 — June' 05 to the Railways for the delay in unloading of coal at Tau Devi Lal Thermal Power Station at Panipat. However, the details of demurrage charges originally levied by the Railways for the period of March' 05 — June' 05 are as under:—

March, 2005	Rs. 84,43,100
April, 2005	Rs. 99,40,300
May, 2005	Rs. 88,81,400
June, 2005	Rs. 1,08,01,800

Against the appeal of HPGCL for waiver of the demurrage charges, the Railways has waived off 70% of the demurrage charges of April, 2005. A re-appeal has been submitted to the Railways for total waiver. The re-appeal of HPGCL for waiving demurrage charges of March, 2005 has not been entertained by the Railways and HPGCL has been directed to deposit 100% of the demurrage charges before the re-appeal is considered. The appeal for waiver of demurrage charges for the month of May and June, 2005 is pending with the Railways.

(b) Permissible free time for mechanised unloading of an open wagon rake (consisting of 58 wagons) *w.e.f.* 15.7.2005 is 6 hours. Demurrage charges fixed by the Railways per wagon per hour, or part of an hour, *w.e.f.* 20.2.2005 for detention of wagon in excess of permissible free time notified for the wagon for loading or unloading are as under:—

Detention in excess for permissible free time	Broad Guage	Metre Gauge	Narrow Gauge
First 24 hours	Rs. 100/-	Rs. 70/-	Rs. 50/-
Next 24 hours	Rs. 200/-	Rs. 140/-	Rs. 100/-
Beyond 48 hours	Rs. 300/-	Rs. 210/-	Rs. 150/-

(c) The permissible free time for unloading of a rake of 58 wagons was reduced by the Railways from 10 hours to 5 hours *w.e.f.* 15.3.2005. The power utilities requested to reverse this decision. The Railways increased the free time for unloading from 5 hours to 6 hours *w.e.f.* 15.7.2005.

Guidelines for captive power ventures

1060. SHRIMATI N. P. DURGA: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) the details of new guidelines proposed by Government for captive power ventures;

(b) whether Government is thinking of making amendments to the Electricity Act since some of the sections relating to captive power are ambiguous;

(c) if so, the details of sections that are going to be amended; and

(d) whether the new guidelines are within the purview of the Electricity Act or are separation?

THE MINISTER OF POWER (SHRI P. M. SAYEED): (a) The Electricity Rules, 2005 notified by the Central Government on 8th June, 2005, carry provisions, *inter-alia*, related to captive power plants. Relevant extracts of Rule 3 of these Rules relating to captive power plants is enclosed as Statement (*See* below).

(b) and (c) No amendment to the Electricity Act, 2003 with reference to provisions related to captive power plants, is envisaged.

(d) Yes Sir, the Electricity Rules, 2005 have been issued under the provisions of section 176 of the Electricity Act, 2003.

Statement

Rules relating to captive power plants

3. Requirements of Captive Generating Plant.—

(1) No power plant shall qualify as a 'captive generating plant' under section 9 read with clause (8) of section 2 of the Act unless—

(a) in case of a power plant—